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Title: SYSTEM AND APPARATUS FOR A DIGITAL AUDIO/VIDEO DECODER

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicant hereby submits this Preliminary Amendment for the above-identified patent application. Submitted herewith is a check for \$240.00 to cover the added claims.

AMENDMENT

In the claims:

Please add claims 25-33 as follows: